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Re: "Continuous Process for Expanding
Tobacco"
Our File 582-847, PM 697

Dear Susan:

Enclosed is a copy of a revised draft of the above-identified application. It is believed that the present draft incorporates all of the changes suggested in your letter of February 20, 1978, as clarified in your letter of April 5, 1978, pursuant to my inquiries of March 14, 1978. Please note that in addition to your suggested changes, dependent claims 8-11 have been added in order to further cover the use of ammonium carbamate in the process of the invention.

I trust that the application in its present form adequately and accurately defines the invention. If you have any questions concerning any of the amendments made in the draft application, please do not hesitate to call. In addition, please feel free to offer any further comments or suggestions which you believe are appropriate.

Sincerely,



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